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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: DINNER GIVEN BY PRESIDENT KAUNDA FOR AMBASSADOR YOUNG

1. PRESIDENT KAUNDA HELD A SMALL AND INFORMAL BILATERAL
DINNER IN AMBASSADOR YOUNG'S HONOR MARCH 22. IN TOTAL A
DOZEN PEOPLE WERE PRESENT INCLUDING MARK CHONA AND A NUMBER
OF ZAMBIAN MINISTERS. THE INTIMACY OF THE OCCASION MADE
FOR A VERY RELAXED AND CORDIAL EVENING OF CASUAL CONVERSATION
AND GOOD HUMOR.

2. FOLLOWING THE DINNER, WE TALKED WITH PRESIDENT KAUNDA
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MORE FORMALLY ABOUT SOUTHERN AFRICAN PROBLEMS. HE BEGAN
BY REPEATING HIS OFT-EXPRESSED ADMIRATION FOR PRESIDENT
CARTER AND APPRECIATION FOR THE U.S. COMMITMENT TO RESOLVING
SOUTHERN AFRICAN PROBLEMS. HE EXPRESSED GREAT CONCERN OVER
INCREASING EVIDENCE OF BRITISH INCLINATION TO SUPPORT THE
INTERNAL SETTLEMENT--A SETTLEMENT WHICH HE CONSIDERS "A
SECOND U.D.I."--AND HE CALLED ON THE UNITED STATES TO PUSH

HARD FOR THE ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSAL. DESCRIBING ZAMBIA AS "LIVING IN THE SHADOW OF RACIAL AND IDEOLOGICAL CONFLICT," KAUNDA STATED THAT SUCH CONFLICT WOULD BECOME LIKELY IF AN INTERNATIONALLY ACCEPTABLE SETTLEMENT COULD NOT BE ACHIEVED IN RHODESIA. IN A MOMENT OF NEAR APOLOGY FOR HIS RELUCTANCE TO PUSH THE AAP EARLIER, KAUNDA SAID THAT HE HAD ORIGINALLY UNDERSTOOD THE AAP TO BE SIMPLY THE BASIS FOR NEGOTIATIONS: "I LATER MADE SOME NOISES AND FOUND THAT THE PROPOSAL WAS CONSIDERED SACROSANCT, BUT I DIDN'T MEAN TO ATTACK THE PROPOSAL."

3. AT THE CLOSE OF THE EVENING, KAUNDA INDICATED HOW MUCH HE LOOKED FORWARD TO HIS UPCOMING VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES AND AGREED TO MEET AGAIN WITH AMBASSADOR YOUNG IN DAR ES SALAAM THIS WEEKEND.

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